

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of: Knut Elbers, et al            ) Confirm. No.: 9554  
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**RESPONSE**

Sir:

This is in response to a communication from the Examiner in charge of the subject application dated October 30, 2006. Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for three months. The Commissioner is, hereby, authorized to charge the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 02-2955.

**Petition for extension of time** begins on page two (2) of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page three (3) of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page five (5) of this paper.